DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY ARMOR CENTER AND FORT KNOX FORT KNOX, KENTUCKY 40121-5000

ATZK-JA (27)

20 September 2001

MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to This Headquarters, Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices/Departments, This Headquarters

SUBJECT: Thunderbolt Six Policy Memo No. 38-10 - Withholding Authority to Dispose of Officer Offenses

- 1. References.
 - a. Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) 10 U.S.C. Section 801, et seq.
 - b. Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, 2000 Edition, as amended
 - c. AR 27-10, Legal Services: Military Justice, 24 June 1996.
- 2. Authority to dispose of UCMJ offenses allegedly committed by commissioned and warrant officers is reserved to the Commanding General, USAARMC.
- 3. If an officer allegedly violates one or more punitive articles, the brigade/regimental commander or staff director will forward an initial report of the incident as soon as possible, but NLT 24 hours, to the Commanding General and a copy to the Staff Judge Advocate (SJA). This initial report will not be delayed to gather additional facts. Within 72 hours the commander or director will gather all available facts, evidence, and circumstances and provide a final report, or interim if necessary, to the Commanding General, through the SJA. Final Reports will contain the independent chain of command recommendations for disposition.

R. STEVEN WHITCOMB Major General, USA

Commanding

DISTRIBUTION:

 \mathbf{C}

CF:

DCG, USAARMC CDRS, Fort Knox Partners in Excellence